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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID DISCLOSURES

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully submit this Response to the Examiner's Office Action, dated March 12, 2002, due for reply by April 12, 2002. Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the following Substitute Sequence Listing. Attached, please find a hard copy of a Substitute Sequence Listing. A substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing in ASCII-DOS format is provided in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).

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RESPONSE

Kindly accept and insert in the Specification, a paper copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing as required under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c) and a diskette containing the substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing in ASCII-DOS format in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d). The substitute copy of the data in the CRF is identical to that originally filed.

REMARKS

Applicants have submitted a Substitute Sequence Listing in response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures and the CRF Problem Report dated March 13, 2002. The Applicants respectfully request entry of the Substitute Sequence Listing.

A diskette containing the substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing in ASCII-DOS format in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d) is attached and consideration of the Application is requested. The content of the Substitute Sequence Listing and the substitute CRF copy are the same as required by 37 CFR 1.825(b). No new matter is incorporated in the Specification by this Response.

For the foregoing reasons, the Substitute Sequence Listing is submitted to be in order and complies with the Sequence Rules C.F.R. 1.821–1.825.

Dated: April 10, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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